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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 13, 2002, Applicants respectfully elect, with traverse, Group 1, claims 1-15. Applicants respectfully request examination of all pending claims in light of the following remarks. A Petition for a one-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith.